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Center Controversy

Non-School Uses of Center Are Aired, Opponents Are Ruled Out-of-Order

by Virginia Beauchamp

Those hoping to open up discussion at the Sunday night meeting on February 7 to all points of view about whether to rehabilitate Center School as a school or as a community center found themselves disappointed. This was especially true of those who entered the meeting a few minutes late and thus missed the remarks by chairman David Lange of the Citizens for Education & Community (CEC) who had called the meeting.

In a brief opening statement, Lange characterized the meeting's purpose as to deal creatively with possible uses to which the Center School might be dedicated, should it be abandoned by the Board of Education as a school facility. Lange stressed that the building should not be left empty, as had happened to the North End School—to its ul-

timate damage. Others who had hoped to challenge the view that the Center School be anything but a school went away disappointed. As one woman said, as she left early: "This has been a very boring meeting."

Lange, however, made clear that the Sunday night meeting had never been planned as an open hearing. He promised that he planned to petition the Greenbelt city council to hold such a hearing soon. Added to the two hearings already sponsored by the Prince Georges County Board of Education, he felt that all those with points of view about the future development of Center School and North End would have plenty of opportunity to talk.

A Look at the Past

Before opening up discussion to the audience, Lange called on residents Eileen Labukas and Donnie Wolfe, both of whom served on the staff of the city's recreation program when it was housed in Center School, to de-

scribe the way the school and the recreational program had inter-related. Calling themselves "pioneers," Labukas reminisced about the way the classroom facilities and the day's schedule worked together. The recreational staff, she said, occupied space near the principal's office and during the day ran physical education classes for the children. After school, the space was opened for crafts, dance classes, men's and women's open gym, special seasonal events, band practice, and programs for high school students from Beltsville and Berwyn Heights as well as Greenbelters.

Wolfe said that the cafeteria was a social room used for such events as wedding receptions. The Greenbelt Toastmaster's Club started in Center School, as did the National Guard unit. The Woman's Club held dances there. The gym was used for public roller skating, and high school

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WHAT GOES ON

Mon., Feb. 13, 8 p.m. City Council Meeting, Municipal Bldg.

Wed., Feb. 15, 8 p.m. Advisory Planning Board Meeting, Municipal Bldg., Conference Room

Thurs., Feb. 16, 7:30 p.m. Community Relations Advisory Board Meeting, Municipal Bldg. Employees Lounge

TAKING A TOUR OF NORTH END

by Betsy Likowski

The air was chill and filled with the smell of mold as we toured North End School on Saturday, February 4. The school was almost totally devoid of all signs that children once worked and played here. The few paintings of cartoon characters on the walls, such as Bambi and Thumper, were melancholy reminders of what once was. Now the school is used only for storing city property, so that many of the rooms had some objects in one corner or in part of the room.

City council had decided to open the school to public inspection so that people would have an idea of its condition when they fill out the survey on renovating Center School or building a new school at North End. Center was also open to public tours on Saturday and the city provided free transportation between the two schools.

City staff members led people through the whole school, answered questions and pointed out the problems that would have to be corrected if the North End school building is renovated.

The school was closed in 1981. During the winter of 1981-1982 the pipes burst, causing damage to the building. The school building had not been cleaned up since last autumn and a thin covering of mold could be seen in some places.

The old part of the building, which was built in 1945, contains an auditorium and classrooms on two floors. The rooms were mostly bare and some of the windows were broken and boarded up. The beautiful woodwork of the doors, door frames and cabinets stood out in all this bareness.

Water damage and the evidence of some leaks in the roof were visible on the ceilings in some rooms. Daylight could be seen through the large cracks

under the doors in the ground floor classrooms leading outside.

Repairs Needed

Because the floor tiles are made of asbestos and vinyl, they will have to be covered or removed. The heating pipes may also be covered with asbestos, which would also have to be removed.

The heating system will have to be replaced and major work done on the electrical system. The windows and doors may have to be replaced in both wings of the building.

The one-story wing built in 1963 showed the most water damage—warped floor tiles and everything appearing to be covered with mold. Some roof leaks were also visible—on one place one could actually watch the water drip down.

The stage in the auditorium would have to be moved to the opposite end of the room because it is too wide and has no wing space.

City Planning and Development Coordinator Celia Wilson estimated that more than a hundred people had toured North End School. The first thing greeting people in the lobby was information from one of the two groups formed around the school issue. This reporter was told that both groups had been in-

After School Program To Debut at Center

by Elaine Skolnik

County Executive Parris Glendening announced in early January that the county will establish a pilot After School Program at Greenbelt Center School for children from the Washington Heights neighborhood where drugs and crime are serious problems. To avoid singling out one segment of the school population, a decision was made recently to offer the program to all students in grades one to six and to the afternoon kindergarten classes. Slated to start this month, the program will operate on school days from 3 to 6 p.m.

The project was initiated by Center School principal Dr. John Van Schoonhoven and teachers who were concerned that many children were having a difficult time returning to their Washington Heights neighborhood. On a Channel 7 news program filmed at the school last month, several Center School teachers spoke of frightened children asking to go home with their teachers or to remain in school, rather than return to their own homes.

To address the problem, Van Schoonhoven and his staff last winter consulted school psychologists and guidance counselors as well as community agencies. Assisting in this effort was school board member Suzanne Plogman. Parents from the Washington Heights area were polled and supported the establishment of a comprehensive after school program.

Superintendent of Prince Georges County Public Schools John Murphy gave his blessing to the program and, along with Van Schoonhoven, presented the proposal to Glendening who approved creating the pilot project. The county and a private foundation, The Casey Project, will fund the program. The foundation provides resources and support services for children in need.

At the present time Ethel Engrum, Coordinator Supervisor of Drug Education for the school system, is developing a model for the program which will be presented to the superintendent early this month. When approved, a letter will be sent to parents with guidelines and conditions for their children to participate in the program.

Engrum said the program

could accommodate about 225 of the 485 children attending Center (40 percent from Washington Heights) and would be composed of four dimensions: counseling of students and families, drug awareness and prevention activities, homework assistance and academic development and enrichment activities. "The focus," she emphasized, "is to design a safe and supportive environment for the children." The program will be under the supervision of Van Schoonhoven and a coordinator. The staff will comprise 12 group activity assistants, a secretary and health aide. Legislation to create a county commission for families also being drawn up. The commission will help administer the new program.

Transportation in the evening will be provided for those students living farthest from the school. Children residing in Greenbelt will need to have their parents or a parent-designated adult sign them out.

When Glendening announced the funding of the after school program, he said there would be an increased police presence in the Washington Heights neighborhood. The county executive is establishing an Office of Drug Policy Coordination as part of his own office. It will be headed by a special assistant.

Glendening observed that government alone could never halt drug abuse. "We do know that the war on drugs must start with ourselves. And then our families. And then our churches. And then our schools. And then our neighborhoods. And then Prince George's County will be free of drugs."

Looking at Center School...

(The following has been taken from a report on a tour of Center School taken by our reporter in 1983.)

by Leta Mach

A tour of Greenbelt Center Elementary School reveals a curious mixture of what was, what is, what might be and how the building might be improved.

Guiding the reporter through the school, Principal John Van Schoonhoven pointed out both good and bad features. Basically he explained, "It's just not adequate for education today."

In many ways, says Van Schoonhoven, the school is a good building, "but it makes you work too hard at making things work." He listed the major problems as

room size, number of levels, and age leading to high maintenance costs. He also mentioned the inadequate playground.

(Johannes Hoffman of the School Board Plant Maintenance Office was also interviewed for the story.)

Electrical and Plumbing Problems

Hoffman strongly suspects that there would be problems with the school's electrical and plumbing systems after 46 years of existence. In the gym a warped floor under the window testifies to water leakage from the heating system.

Van Schoonhoven mentioned

that windows throughout the school don't close well and allow water to seep in.

Classrooms

The rectangular classrooms are laid out so that the longer side is parallel to the hallway. For this reason, it is difficult to make one classroom out of two because the resultant room would be so long. The warm glow of oak is present everywhere — door frames, doors, cabinets, and coat rack doors. Although warm and sturdy, the wood is a fire code violation. New schools use metal.

Hoffman suspects that the corridor rating is not in compliance with the code. The number of exits and length and width of the hallways need to be checked. He also feels that the stairway

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Ryan Speaks to Democrats

At its meeting on Friday, February 17, the Roosevelt Democratic Club will hear from Delegate Charles "Buzz" Ryan. A veteran legislator, Ryan will discuss "Working With the Governors, Past and Present."

The meeting will take place in the Greenbriar Community Center at 8 p.m. Members and guests are invited.

Center's History Priceless

It is essential for our historical integrity that Center School remain where it is, and was always intended to be, in the Center. Respect for the preservation of our history is a responsibility of all our citizens and a priceless gift to future generations. This is the official position of the Roosevelt Center Association taken at the January 10 meeting.

Linda S. Callahan
President.

Roosevelt Center Association

Why No Money Talk?

I am writing to express my dismay at the way the February 5 public meeting held at the city council room by the Citizens for Education and Community was conducted. After the speakers gave brief presentations on the possible uses for Center School should it become a community center, I like many others attending, hoped the meeting would be open to discussion on the financial issues involved. The article in the February 2 issue of the *News Review* announcing the meeting mentioned that there were plans to address the question of costs—how they could be spread over a "few" years, what sources of income there might be, etc.

However, when Robert Zugby requested a chance to open these discussions, he was told by moderator David Lange that no discussion of finances would take place after all. After some expressions of concern from the audience at this unexpected change in the agenda, the meeting quickly adjourned. If this is the way the Citizens for Education and Community intend to encourage public discussion on this important issue, more darkness than light will be shed on the problem. Is this their intention?

Barbara Simon



AGENDA

Regular Meeting of City Council

Monday, February 13, 1989
8:00 p.m.

I. ORGANIZATION

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
4. Consent Agenda - Approval of Staff Recommendations (The consent agenda consists of those items which have asterisks (*) placed beside them, subject to such revisions as may be made by the Council prior to approval)
5. Approval of Agenda and Additions

II. COMMUNICATIONS

6. PUBLIC HEARING
Acquisition of Parcel 1 (102.59 Acres)
7. Petitions and Requests

(Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless the standing rules are waived by the Council)

8. Minutes of Council Meetings
9. Administrative Reports
10. Committee Reports - Presentation

III. LEGISLATION

11. A Resolution to Authorize the Condemnation of Certain Real Estate in the City of Greenbelt, Maryland for the Purpose of Providing Additional Park Land and Open Space Within the City of Greenbelt - Second Reading
12. An Ordinance to Appropriate in the Capital Improvement Fund II, Supplemental Funds in the Amount of \$485,000 for Authorized Expenditures, Providing \$300,000 for the Police Station, \$200,000 for Planning, Design and Project Management for the Indoor Swimming Pool, and Decreasing Appropriations Made by Ordinance Number 1007 for the Renovation of the Outdoor Pool by \$5,700, By Ordinance Number 993 for the Acquisition of the Museum by \$1,300, and By Ordinance Number 991 for the Public Works Addition by \$5,000 and the Youth Center Addition by \$3,000 - First Reading
13. An Ordinance to Close Out the Capital Improvement Fund; to Authorize the Transfer of Any Asset, Liabilities or Fund Balance to the Capital Improvement Fund II, and to Close Out the Balance of any Unexpended, Unencumbered Appropriation - First Reading

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

- * 14. Senior Citizen Task Force Report No. 2-88
City Input to Prince George's County Senior Citizen Activity Center Master Plan Process
- 15. Drop-In Center
- 16. Administrative Reports on Alternative Plans for the Revitalization of North End School and Preliminary Report on Impact to City if Board of Education Builds a New School at North End
- * 17. ZMA 9754, Greenhome & O'Mara (APB Report 89-2)
- 18. Acceptance of Streets into City Road System
- Greenwood Village, Sections 2 and 3
- Greenbrook - Porten & Sullivan Single Family and Townhouse
- * 19. Award of Bid - 10 Ton Tandem Trailer
- 20. Employment of Auditors
- * 21. F.O.P. Request for Collective Bargaining - Referral to Attorney
- 22. Request for Reimbursement of Legal Fees
- 23. Request for Administrative Leave
- 24. State Legislation
- SB 464 Pensions - Municipal Corporation Law Enforcement Officers
- HB 488 Senior Citizens Activities Centers Loan Act
- HB 489 & SB 373 Adult Day Care Centers Loan Act
- HB 674 & SB 181 - Voter Registration
- * 25. Resignation from Crime Prevention Committee
- * 26. Reappointments to Community Relations Advisory Board
- 27. Appointments to Board/Committees
- Advisory Planning Board
- Park and Recreation Advisory Board
- Crime Prevention Committee
- Arts Advisory Committee

V. SCHEDULING OF FUTURE MEETINGS

- Public Hearing - Schrom Hills Parks
- Meeting with General Manager of MultiVision Cable TV Corporation
- Meeting with Retreat Facilitator

NOTE: THIS IS A PRELIMINARY AGENDA - SUBJECT TO CHANGE

February 7, 1989

Dear Friends:

By now you are aware that there are differences of opinion and, even, controversy surrounding the location of a Greenbelt elementary school. The Prince George's County School Board has sent you a survey questionnaire that will help them reach a decision. I would like to provide you with some background information to guide your valuable input to this decision.

Several years ago, the School Board considered the idea of replacing Center School with a new building. At that time, it occurred to me that the logical answer to the problem was swapping North End School for Center School, thus giving the City control of the historic value of the Center School building. In this way, the City of Greenbelt would be directly answerable to its citizens for the buildings' status.

The North End school building continues to pose a difficult economic issue. Any renovations and functions proposed for this building could be performed more effectively and economically in a city-operated community center in the Center School building. The demolition of the North End building and its replacement with a new, modern elementary school would provide a great financial and morale boost for our city!

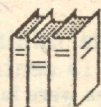
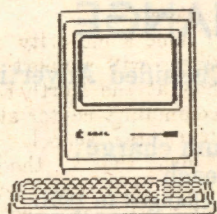
Renovation of the Center School building as a school gives us two OLD schools. A brand new North End School provides one NEW school and a City Center with space and time to expand.

I urge you to read and fill out the School Board survey questionnaire as soon as possible. The survey form must be mailed back by February 24, 1989. This issue is of vital concern to you and your city. The time has come for a new, essential North End School. Greenbelt deserves it!

Sincerely,

Antoinette M. Bram

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Council Member
City of Greenbelt



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Took No Stand

I have recently submitted two reports to the city council which provided a variety of information concerning (a) the rehabilitation of the old North End School, and (b) the impact of building a new school at North End with the city utilizing Center School for a community center. Both of these reports identified a number of advantages and disadvantages to the rehabilitation of either facility as a community center.

The reports did not make recommendations on whether or not North End School should be renovated as a community center, whether or not a new school should be built at the North End, or whether or not Center School should be renovated for use as an elementary school or as a community center. These are policy decisions that should be made by the city council and the Board of Education with the advice of Greenbelt citizens and parents of students — not by city staff.

In the February 2 News Review partial statements were quoted from these reports in support of the position taken by advocates of one side or the other. While these statements are essentially correct, readers should remember that they are brief excerpts from lengthy reports, taken out of context, and that neither I nor the city staff has taken a position or made a recommendation one way or another on the school/community center issue.

We are pleased to see the active citizen interest in this matter and the extensive efforts made to inform all members of the community.

James K. Giese
City Manager

Pocketbook Impact

Once again we feel compelled to add our voices to the ongoing controversy regarding North End/Center School and the impact on our pocketbooks as Greenbelt residents and taxpayers.

The figures seem so simple: The cost of processing North End School, from razing it to renovating the entire building range from \$700,000 to \$3 million. The cost of processing Center School is close to \$7 million (because of its historical status no options here). The maintenance cost of Center School are projected to be about 38% greater than the maintenance costs of North End School, because size is 38% larger.

The impact of the figures also seems simple. The city does not even have the money to build the indoor pool, to buy Parcel 1 and to perform a modest renovation at North End School. In spite of this, some people want to add possibly more than \$6 million to the already existing deficit. Common sense says: day dreams. It cannot be done. Stop wasting everybody's time and energy. Simple. Case closed.

Unfortunately, the repercussions may not be so simple. Some citizens are pushing hard for Center School. Now just suppose that we do get stuck with Center School. The city will need money, a lot of it, millions of it. Money is to be gotten through a bond issue. However, with such a large segment of the population adamantly opposed to acquiring Center School, a vote on the bond issue is most likely not going to pass.

What are the available options? Going in the open market, with higher and higher interest rates? We are heading for a quagmire of unbelievable propor-

tions. We are not only speaking of skyrocketing taxes, we are speaking of the grinding to a halt of an orderly fiscal process. Where some Greenbelters actually encourage dreaming, the guys in Moody's Investment Service frown on such attitudes. How would you like it if Greenbelt's creditworthiness becomes tarnished?

Of course you would not like it, so do indicate your preference to renovate Center School when you receive the Board of Education's survey form. Let's get back to where problems were at least manageable.

Leonie Penney
Betty Maffay
Member of Council 1969-1973

Myths vs. Facts

Greenbelt is engaged in a great debate about its future facilities for education and community activities. We are about to make decisions that will affect the quality of our life for the next 30 to 50 years. We need facts, not fantasies or myths. Let's take a look at some of them:

Myth: A Community Center in the North End building would cost only \$3 million, while one in Center School building would be \$6.9 million.

Facts: 1. Using the same architectural rule-of-thumb, the city manager estimated the renovation cost for a Community Center at \$3 million for the North End building and \$4.6 million for the Center School building (which is 38% larger). Preservation costs at Center are unknown.

2. The Center School building could be used as is. Rehab costs could be spread over many years. Negotiations with the county for transfer of our North End site may reduce our costs in the Center School building (e.g., county removal of asbestos would save us \$425,000). Substantial federal, state, county, and private grants may be available. For example, Bowie recently received \$500,000 for preservation of Bowie Mansion. Also, the city will work to transfer the county grant of \$190,000 to the "new" Community Center.

Myth: "A new school at North End could increase the cost of Parcel 1 to the city."

Fact: The cost will be fixed by the appraisals and court hearing before any construction of the new school has even started.

Myth: "A new school at North End would create pressure to widen Ridge Road to accommodate school bus traffic."

Fact: School buses travelled Ridge Road for eight years when the North End School was open. Only seven buses will be needed for the new school, hardly justification for widening Ridge Road.

Other examples of myths about a Community Center in the Center School building that have been publicized are: unsafe school conditions, huge traffic levels, and paving of large grass areas for parking places. These too are not the facts. Moreover, the educators' professional recommendation for a new school in the North End has been distorted—they strongly support it.

Greenbelt has a major decision to make and the voters need the facts, not myths. The bottom line: let's play it straight, folks.

We urge you to use these facts when you fill out the school board survey. Vote for a new school at North End and a restored Community Center in the heart of Greenbelt. Vote for Greenbelt's future!!

David Lange

Letters to the Editor

Headaches

Both the school board and the city council have headaches. The school board has an aging facility partially controlled by the state historical society. The city council has a warehouse, a two-year-old commitment to its expensive community reuse, and insufficient funds. They wish to make their lives easier by trading headaches. However this easy path is far from the right path.

Factions on both sides have engaged in misleading statements in their efforts to persuade. My children's education is not in jeopardy. The facility is one of the least important factors. Age of a building is irrelevant.

Part of my education took place in a building mentioned nine hundred years ago in England's Domesday book. That school helped me to my Ph.D. It is ridiculous to build a new school because of the Center School steps. My Center School kindergarten class in 1957 had no difficulty going up and down those very same stairs.

There is a reasonable probability that many of the proposed multipurpose uses will fail. Such a risk is acceptable at the North End site but not at the Center School site since having a second cavernous warehouse in our center may strongly affect the business in Roosevelt Center. There is talk of renting out the current municipal building. It is bad policy for government to engage unnecessarily in the risks of landlord-tenant relationships or real estate ventures.

These political bodies should not be allowed to make their life easier at the expense of our city. It is important for your readers to answer the school board survey, write to the city council, and derail this steamroller.

Richard B. Bates

Valuable Resource

Amid all the discussion about school-building characteristics, what has been overlooked is a truly educational factor—the library.

The public library, located right next door, is an important resource for Center School. A number of teachers take their classes over to the library on a regular basis. Also, students often visit the library to work on projects.

For many students, this regular exposure to the library builds an appreciation for reading which they otherwise might not have. Moving the school to North End would sever this vital relationship.

Furthermore, we should be concerned that a vacant or underutilized Center School building could decrease the circulation at the library, triggering cutbacks in staff and services.

It has been suggested that the city holds all the cards in any trade of the North End site for Center School. However, the county has the trump card; they can condemn the North End property if they don't like our terms. We should be aware that our leverage is limited and we may not end up with all the county assistance that some citizens seem to be counting on.

Don't throw away a good thing. Renovate Center School.

Charles Hagelgans

Just the Facts, Please

When (it was) announced that Council was sponsoring tours through Center and North End Schools, I (thought) they would be conducted in a non-partisan manner. If I hadn't known better, I would have thought that these tours were being conducted by the Citizens for Education and Community (CEC), proponents of a new school at North End. Upon entering Center School, we were greeted by about a half dozen of them, as they were congregating around a table to hand out their literature. The Center School principal, a strong advocate of a new school, (led the tour) thereby giving him free rein to plant the seeds of Center School discontent.

During conversation with CEC, we were given different (information about) how much of the woods would be razed for a new school. At Center School we were told 1.5 acres, at North End we were told 3.5 acres. But according to the City Manager's Report on the Impact to the City if the Board of Education Builds a New School at North End, "a new school would utilize the entire 13 acre property. More than half of this property is wooded."

What concerns some Greenbelters is that while advocates of a new school are wrapped up in their enthusiasm, presentation of all the facts becomes secondary.

The democratic process gets derailed when the people are fed fuzzy facts, leading to ill-informed decisions. Let's just focus on presenting all feasible options and their possible impact on the community, remembering that the school board said they could provide a quality education at a renovated Center School.

Yoni Siegel

An Inferior Product For More Money?

Since when do Greenbelters knowingly buy an inferior product for less money? I should hope never. Since when do progressive and active Greenbelters hold on to the past rather than go forward? Again, I hope never.

Renovation of the Center School, according to figures furnished by the Board of Education, would cost about \$8 million with an unknown factor. If they run into problems, it could cost more. For that we get a school that's multi-leveled and has less playground space. Certainly not the best learning environment for the children, but we would hold onto the art-deco, and memories for some people.

A new North End School, at \$7 million, would provide the best learning environment.

According to the Principal of Center School, more elementary age children in Greenbelt live in the north end. That means more children wouldn't have to walk as far.

At the public hearing, we heard from the principal and teachers who work at the present Center School testify that while the school is an excellent school that offers an excellent education program, the school could be even better, if the physical plant was better. We now have the opportunity to get a better physical plant, and some Greenbelters want to throw that opportunity away. Unbelievable!

I write as a parent, a retired teacher, and a citizen of Greenbelt and Prince Georges County.

As a parent, I have three children who are graduates of North End School, and they are respectable, honorable, productive people with a good set of values.

As a retired teacher, I worked in three schools in the County—two of them were the same vintage as Center School. As a reading resource teacher, I know how important it is for children to be able to move from one place to another within the school in as short a time as possible. Only if the school is built that way, do we provide the best educational facility to meet the needs of all children.

Center School at one time was also a community building. While some other activities still go on there, it is essentially used as a school, since in fifty years we have other accommodations for community affairs. Even if the decision is made to build a new North End School, the Center School Building can be put to many other community uses and the art deco, history, etc. would be preserved.

There should be no question. We need the best elementary school money can buy for the children of Greenbelt and the children of Prince Georges County.

Lillie Goldberg

School Center of Nest

I think the way Greenbelt presents itself is something special and unique, and we should strive to keep it that way. When I come home from the Beltway or the BW Parkway, or have been out in the world of cement, plastic, and glass, and glitter, I retreat to my home in Greenbelt. Greenbelt is a place that shuts out this stressed-out world we live in. Greenbelt is a safe little nest, and I certainly don't want to see it destroyed. Please renovate Center School.

Elaine Goad-Robinson

Make Center Showcase

I strongly urge fellow residents of Greenbelt to support the exchange of the long vacated and seriously dilapidated North End School for a modern and state-of-the-art school building at this site.

Proponents of a facility for use by artists, including our dedicated neighbors who support the performing arts, use for senior citizens and child care etc. surely can enjoy utilization of the Greenbelt Center School building. A cost comparison of renovating the Center Building as compared to the North End school facility will prove that permitting the Board of Education to build at State expense the new school at the North End will be beneficial to our children.

Renovation of Center School would permit establishing a recreational facility that can be used by all age groups. Further, we can create artists' studios in this building, an auditorium suitable for the performing arts, a visitors center and public access cable TV studios. Located in the very center of Greenbelt, this building would be a proud showcase for all to see and enjoy and most important we can continue to respect the historical significance of this building and its heritage.

I hope a majority of Greenbelt citizens will support both a new school at the North End site and a community center at our Greenbelt Center School.

I pray that all the vitriolic hyperbole will soon end and our community can once again be united.

R. Hal Silvers

SHL Teen Club

Greenbriar is hosting a "Teen Game Night" on Thursday, Feb. 16, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Resident teens are invited to come to the Community Building for an evening of competition. Chess, Trivia, and other games will be available. Teens are welcome to bring their own favorite game. Refreshments will be served.

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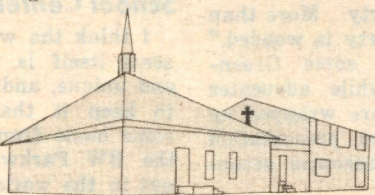
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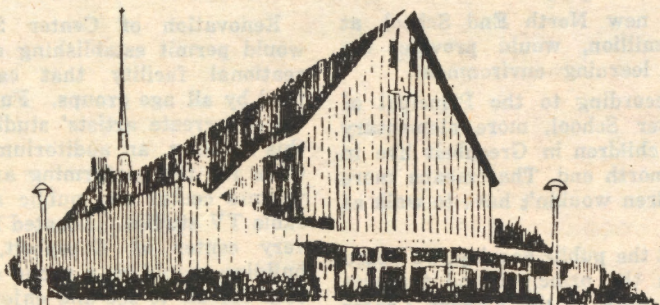
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OFFICIAL NOTICE

Public Hearing on Acquisition of Parcel 1 (102.59 Acres)

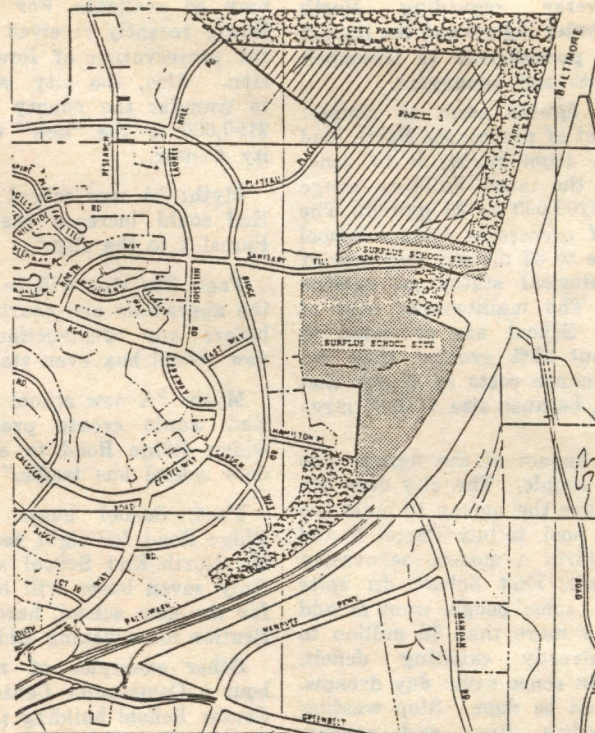
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1989

8:00 P.M. — CITY COUNCIL ROOM

GREENBELT MUNICIPAL BUILDING

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The City Council of Greenbelt, Maryland will conduct a public hearing on whether or not to adopt "A Resolution to Authorize the Condemnation of Certain Real Estate in the City of Greenbelt, Maryland for the Purpose of Providing Additional Parkland and Open Space Within the City of Greenbelt." This resolution authorizes the City Manager and City Solicitor to file the appropriate legal action to condemn the property commonly known as Parcel 1 and which is identified for taxation and assessment purposes as Parcel 10, Prince Georges County, Tax Map 27. This parcel is located in the northeast corner of the City (see map) with principal access being from the end of Plateau Place. The resolution authorizes the condemnation for the purpose of parkland and open space for the benefit of all of the citizens of Greenbelt.



LOCATION MAP

In a condemnation proceeding, the Circuit Court for Prince Georges County will determine if the ownership of the property should be transferred to the City and the amount the City shall pay the owners as compensation for the property.

The most recent estimate of value placed upon the property for budget purposes by the City Manager is \$1,400,000. The contract purchaser of the property, Rocky Gorge Communities, Inc., has indicated a willingness to sell the property for a price in excess of \$4,000,000. Rocky Gorge Communities, Inc. has indicated its wish to develop the property with single family homes.

Any person wishing to express a view on this proposal may do so at the Public Hearing or by addressing a letter to the Greenbelt City Council, 25 Crescent Road. Any correspondence received will be made part of the record of the Public Hearing.

Gudrun H. Mills, CMC
City Clerk

Woman's Club News

The regular monthly meeting of The Woman's Club of Greenbelt will be held Monday, Feb. 13 at 1 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the Greenbelt Public Library. The club will celebrate its birthday party at this time.

Members are urged to bring articles for the flea market which will be held Feb. 18 at the Youth Center.

The State Board Meeting will be held Feb. 21 at the Cross Winds Restaurant. Time: 9:30 a.m. Call Dot Merryman for tickets.

Gray Panthers Seek Items For Feb. 18 Flea Market

Members and friends of the Gray Panthers are asked for contributions to the February 18 flea market. All types of household and other items are needed. (Please - not much clothing). Contributions may be brought to the Youth Center the morning of February 18 or brought to 7F Crescent Rd. 474-6890) at any time prior to that date.

Green Belt Tours

Members of the Committee to Save the Green Belt will conduct guided tours of the green belt each Saturday. On Feb. 11 at noon, the tour will start at the end of Northway. Call Paul at 474-4653 or Rodney at 345-5427

GHI NOTES

Tuesday, February 14, the Nominations & Elections Committee will meet at 7 p.m. in the GHI Library. Also on Tuesday the Finance Committee will meet in the Board Room at 8 p.m.

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Meeting

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plays were also scheduled there. Wolfe said the gym was used seven days a week. "It was a social place to be."

Both speakers emphasized the harmony between school personnel and community recreational programs at that time. Later in

Future Uses

Working on the assumption that Center School might become free for use as a community center, Lange then called on several people to represent various organizations with unmet needs for space. Among the speakers was Tousignant, who described needs of her group for a theater and rehearsal space, a dance floor, and a music room. She was followed by Sandra Barnes, who sketched possibilities for a Visitor's Center, where films and slides could be presented on Greenbelt's past, and with a convenient location near both the library's Tugwell Room and the Greenbelt Museum.

Mayor Gil Weidenfeld described a city council chamber he had seen in Laurel, where painting by local artists were exhibited for sale around the walls of the room. He pointed out that more than one use could thus be made of the same space and that the meeting room was aesthetically enhanced.

Carole Bordelon spoke about needs for expansion of the co-operative nursery school, which would like to add a kindergarten and a before-and-after-school program for young children.

Barbara Simon spoke in two capacities. As a Friend of the Greenbelt Library, she expressed concern that use of the school building for municipal offices, rather than an active space for adult's and children's groups might reduce the amount of use now made of the library. She pointed out that the county library system allocates resources to those facilities in most active use and she feared that school children, who now frequent the library might no longer do so.

Speaking then as a representative of groups interested in developing studio space for artists and crafts facilities, she emphasized the importance of time. They had been negotiating with the county's Park and Planning staff since 1982, she said, and were still without space. If Center School rather than North End were to become a community center, the possibility of developing such facilities would be postponed for at least two more years, she pointed out, because the children would continue to use Center School while the new school at the North End site was under construction.

Allowed to Talk?

When the floor was opened to those present, Bob Zugby requested time to read a letter from councilmember Tom White, who could not be present, concerning budgetary issues that he thought should be addressed. When Lange ruled this topic out of order, a number of people questioned his decision. Eunice Coxon said that she would like to say that she was "opposed to renting out the municipal building. Am I allowed to say that?" she asked.

Ann Pisano said she thought it was "rushing things" to talk about using Center School as a community building. "If the county vacates it," she said, "there would be two years before it could be occupied."

On the contrary, Lange said, "the crucial date is September '89," when the state must be notified of what plans have been developed for a Greenbelt school. The city must negotiate with the

Center School Renovation Costs

Editors Note:

The following is reprinted from Mavis Fletcher's January 19, 1989, story on City Manager Jim Giese's report on the potential impact on the city should Center School be declared surplus. The costs outlined have been utilized by community groups in debating the conversion of the school building to a Community Center.

This statement summarizes Giese's overall assessment of the costs of renovation.

"It can be expected that while possibly in the short run, if waivers can be obtained, costs to reutilize the building could be less (than for the North End School); in the long run, utilization costs will be about the same per square foot as for the North End School, and since the Center School is larger, total costs will be greater."

Using the school architect's estimate of renovation (and leaving out the cost of new construction needed in a renovated school), Giese estimates the cost of a "first-rate renovation job"

Board of Education before September, he said. "That's why planning must be done right away." Engineering costs need to be considered, he said, but also costs that would be entailed by the various activities for which a building might be used. He said he hoped that "the city becomes cohesive and works together."

Center School

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way may be problems. Other violations are the lack of fire escapes, windows, sprinklers, and smoke detectors. The ceiling tile in the hallways and the boiler room is also combustible.

Addition

The addition at the back of the building was constructed in 1968. It contains eight classrooms, the library/media center, storerooms, offices and teacher's rest rooms.

In many ways, the addition is better than the original building. The classrooms are about 1,200 square feet. Storage is provided by metal cabinets under the windows and portable cabinets and coat racks. Sinks do not have Rube Goldberg plumbing. Clocks, unlike those in the old section, are keyed into the school's master clocks. On the bottom floor, each room has a bathroom and an outside door. Walkers use these doors and help cut hall congestion.

for community uses at \$6,850,000. However, he also says that the costs estimated by the architect for historic preservation may be too high.

Using the cost figures which he applied in his recent study, *Alternative Plans for Reutilization of North End School*, Giese estimates the cost of renovating Center School at \$4,620,000, plus historic preservation costs. (The earlier report estimated the cost of renovating the entire 41,749 sq. ft. of North End School building at \$3,000,000.)

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GOOD THROUGH THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

City to Sponsor Seminar On IRS Code Section 125

The IRS, through their Community Outreach Tax Assistance Program, will offer a seminar on the implementation and effects of Section 125 of the IRS Code on Tuesday, Feb. 21, 7 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

Section 125 relates to the employer's options in offering health benefit packages to its employees and the potential tax benefits for the employees. Pre-tax dollars may be used to pay not only hospitalization premiums but also deductibles, co-paying fees, travel expenses, and child care to name only a few. There are, however, significant implications on Social Security benefits under these plans.

The city, as sponsor of the seminar for its own employees, invites others who may also be interested to attend the free program. Call the city's finance office, 474-1552, for reservations.

Fishing Show at Armory Benefits Children's Hospital

Anglers Unlimited will hold their 14th Annual Fishing Show on February 19, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Greenbelt National Guard Armory. As always, Children's Hospital will benefit from the show receipts.

There is a fee. For additional information call: Stephen 304-754-8186 or Frank 301-855-5158.

LAFF to Meet

LAFF'S next meeting will be Wednesday, February 15, at 7 p.m. at the Youth Center. The activity planned is a Valentine's Party. Participants will make and exchange Valentines. Music will be played and refreshments served. Participants are asked to bring their own beverage and a magazine or other odds-'n-ends for making the Valentines (some supplies will be available).

For more information, call Karen at 474-6878. New members are welcomed.

POLICE BLOTTER

Based on Information Released by the Greenbelt Police Department

On February 2, Pfc. David Buerger received a City Manager's Award from James Giese "in recognition of his initiative, resourcefulness, and hard work in establishing D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) in the Greenbelt Public Schools. D.A.R.E. is the first such program to be developed in the Maryland suburban area."

On Feb. 2 Sgt. Doug Sappington and Officer Carl Shinner, after responding to a report of a domestic dispute in the 9300 block of Edmonston Road, arrested a 28 year old resident of the 9300 block of Edmonston Rd. for battering his spouse. The man was arrested and charged with battery, hindering a police officer in the performance of duty, and resisting arrest. He was held on \$10,000 bond pending trial.

Police officers responded to a report of a fight in the parking lot of The Shell Food Mart, 8000 block of Breezewood Dr. on Jan. 31. As the officers arrived, two juveniles were yelling and creating a disturbance. Investigation revealed that the two juveniles vandalized a vehicle in the parking lot, apparently during a verbal confrontation over comments made as the juveniles walked by the vehicle. Two 17 year olds, one a resident, were arrested and charged by Pfc. George Mathews with malicious destruction of property, and disorderly conduct. They were released to a guardian

or parent pending action by the juvenile court.

Sgt. John Lann arrested a 14 year old resident on Feb. 2 for consuming an alcoholic beverage at the west side of the Spellman Overpass. The juvenile was released to a parent pending action by juvenile services.

Thefts this week include: A purse taken from under the table while a woman was eating at TGI Fridays on Jan. 27; stereo and VCR taken from an apartment in the 9100 block of Edmonston Tr. on Jan. 27, entry through a previously broken ground floor window; cash taken from register at Marshall's on Jan. 28; two purses and a jacket taken from an apartment in the 9100 block of Springhill Lane on Jan. 28 while the occupants slept, entry by prying out a ground floor window; cash and a wallet were taken on Feb. 2 from an apartment in the 9000 block of Breezewood Tr. while residents slept, entry by an unlocked door; a wallet taken from an unattended shopping cart in the Safeway. In two shoplifting incidents, on Feb. 1, a man took a television from Best Products without paying for it. He is described as white, 30's, 5 ft. 9 in., 130 lbs., long brown hair, wearing a brown flannel shirt and blue jeans. He left the area in a 2-door silver Plymouth (MD tags SZT091). On January 30, Pfc. Michael Jeffreys arrested a non-resident woman, age 33, after she was seen by a store employee leaving the Safeway with packages of meat concealed in her coat.

Return Your School Board Survey

Vote For Greenbelt's Future

A NEW SCHOOL AT NORTH END

- "The best educational decision we could make would be to construct a new school at the North End site." - Dr. John Murphy, Superintendent of Schools



A RESTORED COMMUNITY CENTER

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A CHOICE GREENBELT CAN AFFORD

- Total estimated cost of \$4.6 million (38% large building than the former North End school). Preservation costs are unknown.
- Center School building could be used as is
- Rehab costs could be spread over many years
- Government & Private grants may be available (Bowie got \$500,000 for preservation of Bowie Mansion)

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Traffic and Parking Data Provided by City Staff

by Elaine Skolnik

During the current citizen controversy over the elementary school in the core of Greenbelt, figures on added vehicular trips and additional parking needed have been used to support viewpoints being advocated. These figures have appeared in ads and letters-to-the-editor in the *News Review*, and in flyers handed out within the community.

The *News Review*, while not taking a position on the basic choices to be made, has attempted below to examine at least some of the otherwise-unexplained traffic and parking claims being made.

Parking

In supporting Center School's conversion to a community center/city offices, the Citizens For Education and Community advertisement stated there would be "130 additional parking spaces (by using the school basketball court for municipal and commercial uses."

City Manager James K. Giese told the *News Review* that a rough parking plan for the Center School site was drawn up based on the school's possible conversion to community and city office use. It calls for about 110 to 130 spaces, of which 23 spaces already exist. The draft plan shows the existing lot would be expanded to about 50 spaces which would be connected to the existing road leading to the school's kitchen, where a new parking lot for about 30 spaces would be built. A second new lot containing about 40 spaces would be constructed on the basketball court and connected to the other lot by a driveway.

Giese said the grassy area in front of the school and the library would not be utilized. He

observed that the 23 existing parking spaces at Center School have been inadequate to meet the school's needs. Additional school-related parking overflows into the municipal lot (which is intended to serve all the buildings in Roosevelt Center) and into the library parking lot.

Trips Per Day

In calculating an increase of 1,000 additional vehicular trips per day, Ruth Kastner told the *News Review* that this figure applies only to the Center School facility if it were to be used for community/city purposes. The figure does not include data on the Municipal Building, she noted.

Kastner said that in calculating the trips per day (each car coming into and exiting a parking lot is counted as two trips) she used the Park and Planning's traffic generation chart. Kastner explained that since there is no specific zone for cultural or recreational uses, she applied the office zone projection data based on the Center building being used partly for city offices. The data thus derived ranged from 14 to 40 trips per day per thousand square feet for commercial office use. Using the average of the two figures, 27 trips per day, Kastner's total for the 57,500 square foot Center School facility came to over 1,000 additional

Marathon Runs on Feb. 19

The big Washington's Birthday Marathon Running Race will be held on Sunday, February 19 starting at 10:30 a.m. at the Goddard NASA GEWA Recreation Center just off Soil Conservation Road near Greenbelt Road. About 300 runners will compete in the 26.2 mile race over a certified course. Runners may qualify for the Boston Marathon in this race.

A new feature this year is a 3-person marathon relay to be run at the same time as the marathon with legs of 9, 8 and 9.2 miles. Entries for the marathon and relay may be obtained at the Youth Center and other information from Larry Noel, 474-9362.

This is Maryland's oldest marathon and the only one in Prince Georges County.

trips per day and then reduced it somewhat.

Celia Wilson, the city's Planning and Development Coordinator estimated approximately 490 additional trips per day for community, public and city-office use of Center School. Her sources were the Park and Planning guidelines and the traffic trip generation manual for the Institute of Transportation Engineers.

Wilson noted that the figures in the Park and Planning guidelines are based on general use by zones. The standards, she said, "do not provide traffic generator data for the type of cultural or recreation uses we are trying to model."

Wilson explained that in working up her estimates she looked at specific proposed uses to determine what the likely additional trips per day would be. She also noted that approximately 150 trips per day are now generated at Center School.

CFG Logo Contest

Deadline Extended

The Executive Board of Citizens for Greenbelt has extended the deadline for entries to their logo contest to Monday, February 13.

Due to a request from one of the high schools, and the fact that only five entries had been received by the original deadline of February 1, the board granted the request.

The five Greenbelters who had already entered were polled and had no objections, and the judges felt the time frame for judging by March first or before presented no problems.

Entries should be left at the home of the chair of the membership committee, Eunice E. Coxon, who will be there to receive them, if called at 345-2756.

The two prizes will be awarded at the Annual Meeting Thursday March 2 at the Council Chambers at 8 p.m. The logo entries will be displayed. The public is invited.

Advisory
Planning
Board
meeting
Tentative
Agenda



Wednesday, February 15, 1989

8 p.m.

Municipal Building

Council Conference Room

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Review of Site and Landscape Plans - Green Spring (Richmond-American)
(Note: This item will be considered at 8 p.m.)
5. Consideration of proposals for renovation of Center School/Construction of New Elementary School
(Note: This item will be considered at 9 p.m.)

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It's the fifth annual Midwinter Flea Market, the brainchild of Ann Pisano, who will shepherd the groups to their appointed spots for their 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. selling spree.

"February is a dull month; I thought people would enjoy a chance to talk to friends, get to know one another and at the same time find a few bargains," remarks the Greenhill Road resident. She is also active in the Gray Panthers and other community committees.

The following groups will have tables in the two large Youth Center rooms: Green Ridge House, Greenbriar Condominium Association, Greenbelt Arts Center, Citizens for Greenbelt, Greenbelt Soccer Association, Gray Panthers, Senior Softball Team, Friends of the Greenbelt Museum, Springhill Lake Good Neighbors, Homemaks' Club and the Greenbelt Teen Club.

Also in attendance will be Citizens for the North End Center, Lakewood Civic Association, Lakeside Citizens' Association, Committee to Save the Green Belt, Greenbelt Chapter of the National Association of Retired Federal Workers, Greenbelt Woman's Club, Huting Ridge Condominium Association, and the Golden Age Club. The Greenbelt history book will also be sold.

"Special thanks to Hank Irving (Director of the City's Recreation Department) for letting us hold this event here as a community service," adds Pisano.

Greenbelt Homemakers

Helen Ludwig will be hostess for the meeting of the Greenbelt Extension Homemaker's Club on Wednesday, February 15, at 8 p.m. Marie Riggs is co-hostess. The program will be about elder-hostels. Membership in Homemaker Clubs is open to anyone regardless of race, color, religion, national origin, sex or handicap. For information, call Sylvia Kyle, 474-2705.

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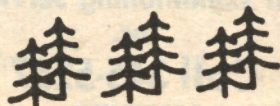
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On Monday, February 13 at 8 p.m., the City Council is holding a public hearing on legislation to condemn Parcel 1, the last large remnant of our historic "green belt".

All Greenbelt citizens who favor the acquisition of Parcel 1 are urged to attend and show their support for this action.

Recently, the City Council was able to purchase a neighboring parcel, Parcel 2, for a very reasonable price. This makes it likely that the price for Parcel 1 will also be affordable. But it is crucial that we act decisively, NOW, to reclaim Greenbelt's natural heritage.

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Attacks of "TrenchMouth" occur very often in teenagers and young adults who have undergone some significant change in their daily routine, such as starting college or a new job. The stress as well as change in the daily routine of proper eating schedule and oral hygiene are the chief causes. Once the condition is diagnosed and regularity re-established in the daily routine, healing is rapid and complete. Occasionally in severe cases, an antibiotic may be necessary. Contrary to old beliefs, "Trench Mouth" is not contagious.

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Bologna \$1.19****Longacre LB.
Turkey Ham \$1.99****Weaver Chicken LB.
Breast \$3.49****Old York Muenster LB.
Cheese \$2.19****Fresh LB.
Cole Slaw 89c****Health & Beauty****Aqua Fresh Pump 4.3 oz.
Toothpaste \$1.39****Super Tru 100's
Aspirin Tablets 49c****Super Tru Petroleum 4 oz.
Jelly 69c****NOW SAVE TWICE AS MUCH WITH
DOUBLE COUPONS***

With \$10.00 minimum purchase excluding coupon items, .50c coupon maximum

CLIP AND SAVE WITH THESE CO-OP SUPER COUPONS**Blue Bonnet
Margarine**

1 lb. 1/4s

With this Coupon & \$10.00 Min. Purchase Ex-
cluding Coupon Items. Limit One per Customer.
Good 2/13-2/18**39c****Pillsbury Plus 18 oz.****CAKE
MIXES**With this Coupon & \$10.00 Min. Purchase Ex-
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Good 2/13-2/18**2/99c****Red & White 1/2 Gal.****APPLE
JUICE**With this Coupon & \$10.00 Min. Purchase Ex-
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Good 2/13-2/18**79c****Cheer Powder 42 oz.****Laundry
Detergent**With this Coupon & \$10.00 Min. Purchase Ex-
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Good 2/13-2/18**\$1.39****Waldorf 4 pk.****Toilet Tissue 99c****Bumble Bee Chunk 6 1/2 oz.****Light Tuna 69c****Our Value Jumbo Roll****Paper Towels 2/89c****Cheerios 15 oz.****Cereal \$2.19****Wylers Beef or Chicken 15's****Bouillion Cubs 59c****Libbys Juice Pack 20 oz.****Pineapple 59c****Contadina 8 oz.****Tomato Sauce 4/99c****Red & White QT.****Mayonnaise \$1.09****Dairy Dept.****LAND-O-LAKES****BUTTER \$1.89****Reg. or Unsalted 1 lb. 1/4's****Red & White American 8 oz.****Singles 99c****Sealtest 24 oz.****Cottage Cheese 1.29****Sorrento Shredded 8 oz.****MOZZARELLA****CHEESE \$1.29****Breakstone 8 oz.****Gourmet Dips 89c****Stegers Maryland Fresh 1 Doz.****Grade A****Large Eggs**With this Coupon & \$10.00 Min. Purchase Ex-
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Good 2/13-2/18**49c****Ragu Home Style Qt.****Spaghetti
Sauce**With this Coupon & \$10.00 Min. Purchase Ex-
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Good 2/13-2/18**89c****Our Value Dry****Roasted Peanuts**With this Coupon & \$10.00 Min. Purchase Ex-
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Good 2/13-2/18**99c****Sealtest 1/2 Gal.****ICE****CREAM**With this Coupon & \$10.00 Min. Purchase Ex-
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Good 2/13-2/18**\$1.59****Del Monte 16 oz.****CORN-or cut French****GREEN BEANS 2/89c****All Purpose Grind 13 oz. can****Hills Coffee \$1.89****Franco American 14 1/4 oz.****SPAGHETTI or****SPAGHETTIOS 2/89c****Red & White 16 oz.****Apple Sauce 39c****Kleenex 175's****Facial Tissue 89c****Betty Crocker 16 oz.****R.T.S. Frostings 1.49****Our Value 15 oz.****Kidney Beans 3/\$1****Maxwell House 12 oz.****Instant Coffee \$5.89****Post Toasties 18 oz.****Corn Flakes 99c****Bounce Stainguard Fabric 36's****SOFTENER****SHEETS \$1.49****Red & White 18 oz.****PEANUT BUTTER****Smooth or Chunky \$1.39****Safeguard 4 pk.****Bar Soap \$1.99****Nabisco 10 oz.****TEDDY GRAHAM****COOKIES \$1.29****San Giorgio 1 lb.****Spaghetti or****Elbow Macaroni 59c****Campbells 10 1/4 oz.****Vegetable or****Vegetarian Soup 2/89c****Canada Dry Ginger Ale-Hires****Root Beer-Orange****Crush 6 pk-16 oz. \$1.69****Joy Liquid 22 oz.****Dish Detergent 99c****Red & White Corn Oil or 24 oz.****Salad Oil 99c****Ajax Cleanser 39c****14 oz.****Snows New England 15 oz.****Clam Chowder 1.09****Star Kist In Water 6 1/2 oz.****SOLID WHITE****TUNA \$1.29****Frozen Dept.****Citrus Hill 12 oz.****Orange Juice \$1.09****Red & White Apple or 12 oz.****Grape Juice 69c****Ore Ida Fries \$1.29****Golden or Crinkle 2 lb.****Freezer Queen 28 oz. min.****Meat Dinners \$1.49****Freezer Queen 28 oz. min.****Side Dishes \$1.49****Farm
Fresh Produce****Indian River 5/99****Grapefruit****Sunkist 88 Size****Navel****Oranges 3/49c****Sunkist****Minneola 5/99c****Tangelos****Red Flame lb.****Seedless 99c****Grapes****Anjou****Pears 69c****lb.****Sunkist Large 5/99c****LEMONS****Western 1 lb bag \$1.29****Kiwi Fruit ea.****Imported lb. 99c****Nectarines****Russet 5 lb. bag 99c****Potatoes****California 79c****Broccoli lb.****Eastern 2 lb. bag 49c****Carrots****Jolly Time 99c****Popcorn 2 lb.****N.F. 10 lb. 1.99****Wild Bird Feed****Beer/Wine Dept.****Miller 12 pk.-12 oz. cans****Lite Beer \$6.29****Iron City Beer \$1.79****6 pk-12 oz. cans****Sol Beer \$4.29****6 pk-12 oz. NR.'s****Pal Masson 3 Liter****Wines \$5.99****Taylor Lake Country 1.5 Liter****Wines \$3.99****WARM UP WITH
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SOUP OR CHILI
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